



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Richard B. Streeter et al.  
Serial No.: 10/090,968  
Filing Date: 03/05/2002  
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR REDUCING MITRAL  
REGURGITATION  
Examiner: Brian E. Pellegrino  
Group Art Unit: 3738  
Attorney's Docket No.: VIA-17

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND

Applicants hereby petition for a three (3) month extension of time to respond to the outstanding OFFICIAL ACTION mailed March 20, 2008 with respect to the above-identified patent application, thereby extending the time for response from June 20, 2008 to September 20, 2008.

Applicants note that inasmuch as September 20, 2008 falls on a Saturday, the response is actually due on Monday, September 22, 2008.

A check in the amount of \$525.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the petition fee. This petition fee has been calculated on the basis of a Small Entity status.

In the event that any additional fees may be required to be paid in connection with this matter, please charge the same, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-0221.  
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